

Pete Ricketts, Governor

**DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** 

# Notice of Meeting Board of Psychology

<u>Date:</u> Friday **July 16, 2021** 

# Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m.

#### **Location:**

State Office Building 301 Centennial Mall South (14<sup>th</sup> and M Street) Low er Level, Room A Lincoln, Nebraska

#### For Information Contact:

402-471-2117 or dhhs.licensure2117 @nebraska.gov AGENDA Posted:

#### 7.6.2021

- 1. Roll Call and Call Meeting to Order
  Announcement: There is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted on the door to the meeting room and available at the link listed below.
- 2. Adoption of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes
- 4. Regulation Update: 172 NAC 156 and 157 (forwarded to DHHS Legal for Review)
- 5. New Business
  - a. 2021 Bill Summaries (LB 390 and 400)
  - c. Association Correspondence
    - Association of State Provincial Psychology Boards <a href="http://www.asppb.org">http://www.asppb.org</a>
    - PSYPACT <a href="https://www.asppb.net/page/PSYPACT">https://www.asppb.net/page/PSYPACT</a>
    - American Psychological Association <a href="http://www.apa.org">http://www.apa.org</a>
    - Nebraska Psychological Association <a href="http://www.nebpsych.org">http://www.nebpsych.org</a>
    - Justice Behavioral Health Committee
- 6. Updates and Reports
  - a. COVID-19: Executive Order (renewals), Directed Health Measures, and FAQ's https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/COVID-19-Nebraska-Guidance-Documents.aspx
  - b. Reports: Licensure and Examination Statistics, Administrative Penalties, and Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Action Reports
- 7. Closed Session (approx. 11:15 am): Investigative and Confidential Information <u>Purpose:</u> To hear discussions of investigative an confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals
- 8. Open Session (approx. 12:15 pm): Review, Recommendations and Report Out (Applications, Mail Ballot Summary Report, and Reinstatements)
- 9. Adjournment (approx. 12:30 pm)

All items known at the time of distribution of this agenda are listed. A current agenda is available at the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit and at the following website: <a href="https://dhhs.ne.gov/Licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx">https://dhhs.ne.gov/Licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx</a>

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a meeting, please call Angela Andersen at (402) 471-0556 (voice), or for persons with hearing impairments, please call the Nebraska Relay System, 711 TDD, prior to the meeting date. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

2021 Meeting Dates: January 15

January 15 March 12

May 28

July 16

September 24 November 19

Open Meetings Act:

https://ago.nebraska.gov/open-

meetings#:~:text=The%20Nebraska%20Open%20Meetings%20Act%20guarantees%20that%20every.attending%20and%20speaking%20at%20meetings%20of%20public%20bodies

#### Agenda Item # 5a:

Approved by Governor on 4.21.2021 <a href="https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view\_bill.php?DocumentID=43999">https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view\_bill.php?DocumentID=43999</a>
LB 390, which was introduced at the request of the Governor, would allow holders of medical licenses from other states to more easily receive a license to practice in Nebraska. The bill addresses the shortage of credentialed health care practitioners and applies to the following professions regulated by the Uniform Credentialing Act:

- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Practice Act,
- Certified Nurse Midwifery Practice Act,
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Practice Act, the Clinical Nurse Specialist Practice Act,
- Dentistry Practice Act,
- Dialysis Patient Care Technician Registration Act,
- Emergency Medical Services Practice Act,
- Medical Nutrition Therapy Practice Act,
- Medical Radiography Practice Act,
- Nurse Practitioner Practice Act, the Optometry Practice Act,
- Perfusion Practice Act,
- Pharmacy Practice Act, the Psychology Practice Act, and
- Surgical First Assistant Practice Act; and Physician assistants and acupuncturists credentialed pursuant to the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act.

LB 390 provides a supplemental method of issuing a credential for occupations under the Uniform Credentialing Act, based on reciprocity. If an individual is credentialed in another state, U.S. territory, or the District of Columbia, he or she may apply for an equivalent credential in Nebraska. The occupational board would determine the appropriate level of credential for which the applicant qualifies. The Department of Health and Human Services [DHHS] would issue the credential. The credential issued would not be valid for interstate compact or reciprocity provisions. DHHS would determine what documentation the applicant must provide with regards to the following categories:

- The credential currently held in another jurisdiction;
- The validity of such credential, held for at least one year;
- Educational requirements;
- Work experience and clinical supervision requirements;
- The passage of an examination;
- That the credential is not or has not been revoked or voluntarily suspended;
- That the credential has not been subject to disciplinary action, or that such action has been resolved appropriately;
- Receipt of a passing score on a credentialing examination specific to Nebraska law.

An applicant would not be eligible for a credential if the applicant fails to submit the above documentation, or if the applicant had a credential revoked or voluntarily surrendered due to unprofessional conduct; if there is a pending disciplinary case for unprofessional conduct; or if there is a disqualifying criminal history. The credential holder would be subject to the Uniform Credentialing Act regarding scopes of practice.

Approved by the Governor on April 21, 2021 <a href="https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view-bill.php?DocumentID=44076">https://nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/view-bill.php?DocumentID=44076</a>
LB 400 would change provisions with respect to telehealth. Under the bill, the definition of telehealth for the purposes of domestic insurance companies and the Nebraska Telehealth Act, is amended to include audio-only services for the delivery of behavioral health services. LB 400 would amend the Nebraska Telehealth Act to allow for a patient to have the option to give verbal consent, in lieu of written consent, during a telehealth consultation that the patient understands information provided by a practitioner regarding the telehealth consultation. If the patient gives verbal consent during the initial tele health consultation, a signed statement shall be collected within ten days. The bill would allow the patient to sign the consent statement via electronic signature. LB 400 would also eliminate a requirement that insurers demonstrate compliance with the signed written consent requirement under the Nebraska Telehealth Act. Finally, LB 400 prohibits insurers from excluding coverage solely because a service is delivered through telehealth, including services originating from any location where the patient is located.

# Agenda Item # 6b:

## **Active Licenses:**

		SUMMARY CO
	License Statuses:	Active
rofession	License Types	
sychology	30 Days Temporary Practice	15
	EO 20-10 Temp Provisional Psychologist	
	EO 20-10 Temporary Psychologist	
	EO 20-27 Prov Psychologist	
	Original Psychology License	
	Provisionally Licensed Psychologist	40
	Psy Courtesy Exam Candidate	
	Psychological Assistant	115
	Psychologist	587
	Psychologist Associate	5
	Psychology Post-Doctoral Supervision	
	Special License Supervisory Registration	2
	Special Psychologist	1
	Supervisory PLMHP Registration	
	Supervisory Registration Form	21
	Temporary Psychologist	
	Grand Total	786

# **Examinaiton Stats:**

	EXAMINATION STATE	STICS SUMMARY REPORT	
Profession: Psycholo	egy		Run Date: 07/06/2021
Date Range: 01/01/202	21 to 7/6/2021		Page No: Page 1 of 1
Exam Battery	Exam Name	Result Status	Number of Candidates per Result Status
Psychology	Oral/Written Jurisprudence	Pass	11
	EPPP	Pass	11
	EPPP	Fail	8

# Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions:

Disciplinary and N	on-Discipiinar					
		COM	PLIANCE LIST	ING REPORT		
Profession: Psychology					Run	Date: 07/06/2021
Action Start Date Range: 01	/01/2021 to 07/06/2021				Pag	e No: Page 1 of 1
Licensee Name	License No	License Type	License Status	Disciplinary Action	Action Start	Action End
Nitzel, Camie Lynn, PhD	956	Psychologist	Active	Petition Dismissed	03/31/2021	
Nitzel, Camie Lynn, PhD	956	Psychologist	Active	Nondisciplinary Assurance of Compliar	nc 04/09/2021	
Salvi, Silvina Alejandra	578	Provisionally License	d Inactive	Petition for Disciplinary Action Filed	05/11/2021	05/12/2021
Salvi, Silvina Alejandra	578	Provisionally License	d Inactive	Censure	05/12/2021	
Salvi, Silvina Alejandra	578	Provisionally License	d Inactive	Other	05/12/2021	08/10/2021

# Renewals:

### RENEWAL COUNTS F

ssue Date : 11/01/2020 to 07/06/2021

Profession	/ License Type	1st Notices	2nd Notices	Renewals	
Psychology					
30 Days Tem	porary Practice	0	0	0	
EO 20-10 Ter	np Provisional Psychol	0	0	0	
EO 20-10 Ter	nporary Psychologist	0	0	0	
EO 20-27 Pro	v Psychologist	0	0	0	
Non-License		0	0	0	
Original Psychology License		0	0	0	
Provisionally Licensed Psychologis		0	0	0	
Psy Courtes	y Exam Candidate	0	0	0	
Psychologic	al Assistant	0	0	0	
Psychologis	t	76	0	501	
Psychologis	t Associate	0	0	0	
Psychology	Post-Doctoral Supervi:	0	0	0	
Special Lices	ise Supervisory Regist	0	0	0	
Special Psyc	hologist	0	0	1	
Supervisory	PLMHP Registration	0	0	0	
Supervisory	Registration Form	0	0	0	
Temporary P	sychologist	0	0	0	
x		0	0	0	
Total for Psych	ology	76	0	502	
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